

Army Recruiting Office Closed In Economy Move

As a result of recent congressional action cutting available recruiting funds by 50 per cent, 22 Army and Air Force recruiting substations in the Southern California area, including Torrance, are being closed. Lieutenant Colonel George O. Reed, commanding officer of the Los Angeles Recruiting main station, announced yesterday.

Concurrent with the closing of these stations, costs for items such as rent, telephone service, utilities, furniture and other supplies are being eliminated. This action does not mean that the privilege of volunteering for enlistment in the Army or Air Force by eligible persons living in these areas is being denied. These areas will continue to be covered by recruiting personnel working out of more centralized locations within these areas.

Addresses of these centralized locations will be posted at all closed stations and will also be publicized through local newspapers and radio stations where such arrangements can be made. Stations not affected by the close order will seek rent-free space in an effort to further reduce costs and at the same time continue their important function of securing volunteer enlistments for an expanding Army and Air Force.

Further reduction in recruiting cost, said Colonel Reed, is being effected by releasing excess motor vehicles for use at other local military establishments.

Stations in California ordered closed are: Azusa, Ontario, Bell Gardens, Chula Vista, Oceanside, North Long Beach, San Luis Obispo, Glendale, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Gardena, Torrance, Bellflower, Fullerton, Huntington Park.

The Torrance area will be under the supervision of Compton Recruiting Station, located at 319 E. Compton Blvd.

Scout Officers To Attend First Training Course

Ten top boy-officers from troops of this Boy Scout district will leave early Friday morning for the first annual junior leader training conference of the Los Angeles Area Boy Scout Council at Lake Arrowhead Boy Scout camps.

Under the leadership of Allen O'Haver, 17113 Denker Ave., the local Scouts will spend the weekend in intensive training in junior leadership. They will learn specialized Scouting skills such as burro packing and wilderness camping, their jobs at troop meetings, in camp, and under other conditions, and other basics.

These Scouts, carefully selected from junior leaders nominated by troops throughout the district, later will serve as faculty for a district junior leader conference in September, at which they will pass on their new knowledge to all patrol leaders and other troop officers in the district.

Local junior leaders are participating in the Arrowhead camp with like groups from all 18 districts of the Los Angeles Council. The conference is part of a year-long "adventure in junior leader training" program sponsored by the Los Angeles Council by the Pacific Coast division of Sears, Roebuck and Co., and under which 32 Scouts from the 16 Council districts spent over a month at Philmont Scout Ranch, in the New Mexico mountains, where they underwent rugged advanced training. These 32 will teach advanced Scouting skills at the Arrowhead conclave.

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A new career of service to humanity was begun this week by three Torrance women following their recent graduation from the California School of Practical Nursing in Los Angeles.

The women are Virginia Peralta, Nellie Uvaas, and Sally Westman. Each graduate was awarded a diploma of achievement, nurses kit, and uniform. The graduates are equipped to obtain jobs in private homes, hospitals, clinics, doctor's offices, and dispensaries.

Admiral Robert W. Berry, director of civil defense for the Los Angeles area, spoke to the 443 graduating nurses, lauding their contribution to the community.



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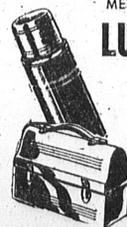
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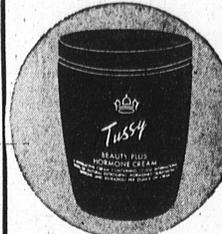
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